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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**INVENTOR:** 

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TITLE:

IN-SITU REAL-TIME MONITORING TECHNIQUE AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTION OF THIN FILMS DURING CHEMICAL/MECHANICAL POLISHING **PLANARIZATION** 

# In connection with this application, the following are enclosed: APPLICATION ELEMENTS: XX Specification - 16 TOTAL PAGES (preferred arrangement:) -Descriptive Title of the Invention -Cross Reference to Related Applications -Statement Regard Fed sponsored R&D -Reference to Microfiche Appendix -Background of the Invention -Brief Summary of the Invention -Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) -Detailed Description -Claims (7 pages) -Abstract of the Disclosure (1 page) Drawings - Total Sheets 6 T XX Declaration and Power of Attorney and Associate Power of Attorney -Total Sheets <u>2</u> \_\_\_ Newly executed (original or copy) XX Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (relates to continuation/divisional boxes completed) - NOTE: Box below <u>DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)</u> - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). XX <u>Incorporation By Reference</u> (useable if copy of prior application Declaration being submitted) The entire disclosure of the prior application Serial No. 08/401,229, from which a COPY of the oath or declaration is supplied as noted above, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix) Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) Computer Readable Copy Paper Copy (identical to computer copy) \_Statement verifying identify of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
  - 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
- English Translation Document (if applicable)
- XX Information Disclosure Statement(IDS) with PTO-1449. \_\_\_ Copies of IDS Citations

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Preliminary Amendment

XX Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

XX Small Entity Statement(s)

XX Statement file in prior application, status still proper and desired. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) with Claim of Priority

(if foreign priority is claimed).

XX OTHER: Preliminary Remarks

#### If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

XX Continuation of prior application Serial No. 08/401,229, filed March 9, 1995, which is in turn a divisional of Serial No. 07/996,817, filed December 28, 1992.

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